appended. *See* Appendix CXL VIII, Annexure No. 33]

(d) The works are in different stages of implementation.

Vayudoof service between Hyderabad and Nellore

685. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to start a Vayudoot service between Hyderabad and Nellore;

(b) what is the criterion for starting a feeder line service; and

(c) what is the number of Vayudoot Services being operated for Hyderabad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM {SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The criteria adopted for selecting new stations for airtinking by Vayudoot are:

(i) Economic viability of operations.

(ii) Geographical terrain.

(iii) Tourism and industrial potential,

(iv) Availability of infrastructural facilities,

(v) Potential to feed services on major routes; and

(vi) Affinity of the new station with the base.

(c) Vayudoot is ;il present operating 9 services to anil from Hyderabad.

Primary Education *in the* country

686. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to stale:

ta) what is the state of primary edu cation in the country and the number of villages having primary school, district-wise;

(b) what is the number of prin schools having school building state wise—District-wise; and

(c) what special steps have been tab D to give adequate financial assistance to those States which are having '.ess number of primary schools?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) As per Fourth Aii India Educational Survey (1978), there were 434294 habitations which had primary schooling facilities with in walking distance of one kilometre. The survey does not reveal the information district-wise, but State-wise details are given in the enclosed Statement-1 *(See* below).

(b) Statement-Il indicating the position Of school buildings State-wise on the basis of the Fourth All India Educational Survey is attached. *(See* below). District-wise details are not recorded in the survey but State-wise details are appended.

(c) The main responsibility of providing primary education facilities Ties with) the State Governments. However, the Central Government has started certain centrally sponsored schemes to provide assistance to State Governments to improve the quality of primary education and provide for the needs of children who cannot avail of primary schooling: viz scheme of Operation Blackboard for improvement of physical facilities in school, scheme of District Institute of Education and Training for improvement in teacher education and Non-Formal Education for part time education to children who cannot attend whole day scools.